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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS

FOR MICROARRAY CONTROL

Attention: **BOX MISSING PARTS**Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please add the attached Abstract to the specification after page 30.

Applicants now respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (Notice) mailed February 14, 2002. A check for the required surcharge of \$130.00 is included herewith. The specification has been amended to include an Abstract.

Applicants also submit a copy of the Notice and a signed Declaration and Power of Attorney document.

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

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